

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
Washington, DC 20515-2404

April 28, 2022

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Pearl River County Multipurpose and Emergency Operations Center project in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is Pearl River County, located at 109 West Pearl Street, Poplarville, MS 39470. The funding would be used to increase capacity for hospital-based care at its Ocean Springs, MS location. Funding for this project will be for a state-of-the-art, 85,000 square foot facility that will significantly enhance disaster response and improve the quality of life for Pearl River County residents and beyond. The Center will provide a staging area that will be used for disaster response and future events, private meeting rooms to be used for training and a kitchen to support disaster response. I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Steven M. Palazzo  
Member of Congress

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